



# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

## COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

**AGENDA DATE:** September 28, 2010

**TO:** Mayor and Councilmembers

**FROM:** Administration, Library Department

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Year 2011 Agreement For A Countywide Free Library System

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approve and authorize the City Administrator to execute an agreement between the County of Santa Barbara and the Cities of Santa Barbara, Santa Maria and Lompoc for the operation of a Countywide Free Library System for Fiscal Year 2011.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Agreement for Operation of a Countywide Free Library System for Fiscal Year 2011, which is recommended for approval and execution, provides for continued funding of Library services for all Santa Barbara County residents and designates the Cities of Santa Barbara, Lompoc and Santa Maria as administrators of County Library Zones 1, 2, and 3, respectively. The City of Santa Barbara furnishes library service to all persons inhabiting Library Zone 1, including Carpinteria, Los Olivos, Montecito, Goleta, Solvang and Santa Ynez.

On June 30, 2010 the previous two-year contract expired. This one year contract allows the library zones to receive the recommended funding for operations in the interim until a long-term contract is agreed upon by the County and the City libraries.

Initially, the Board of Supervisors considered a 7% reduction in the County per capita contribution during budget deliberations. However, the Board decided to maintain the status quo funding amount of \$6.90 per resident.

Under the terms and conditions of this contract, the Santa Barbara Public Library System will receive:

- \$623,667.05 of County per capita funds for support of the Central and Eastside Branch Libraries (City Libraries)
- \$946,405.14 of County per capita funds for support of the Carpinteria, Goleta, Los Olivos, Montecito, Santa Ynez and Solvang Libraries (County Libraries)

- A 9% administrative fee of \$84,202, that the City of Santa Barbara charges for managing the Carpinteria, Goleta, Los Olivos, Montecito, Santa Ynez and Solvang libraries
- Estimated assessment revenue of \$165,893, collected within the unincorporated portion of County Service Area Number Three and available to the Goleta Library as a result of voter-approved Measure L

The Fiscal Year 2011 Agreement and terms was approved by members of the Library Board at the September 9, 2010 meeting.

**SUBMITTED BY:** Irene Macias, Library Director

**APPROVED BY:** City Administrator's Office